Competition Snuffed Out: How Predatory Pricing Harms Competition, Consumers, and Innovation

Speaker Biographies

Introductory Remarks

Lina M. Khan was sworn in as Chair of the Federal Trade Commission on June 15, 2021. Prior to becoming Chair of the FTC, Khan was an Associate Professor of Law at Columbia Law School. She also previously served as counsel to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law, legal adviser to FTC Commissioner Rohit Chopra, and legal director at the Open Markets Institute. Khan's scholarship on antitrust and competition policy has been published in the Columbia Law Review, Harvard Law Review, University of Chicago Law Review, and Yale Law Journal. She is a graduate of Williams College and Yale Law School.

Panel One – Predatory Pricing Today: Real World Tactics and Evidence

Tamar Katz is an Attorney Advisor in the Office of Policy Planning at the Federal Trade Commission. She comes to the FTC with experience at the intersection of private equity and antitrust law. Tamar is a graduate of Columbia Law School and the Isenberg School of Management at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Douglas Hoey is the Chief Executive Officer of the National Community Pharmacists Association. Hoey is a licensed pharmacist in Oklahoma, Virginia, and Texas. He is president of the World Pharmacy Council, chairman of the NCPA Innovation Center, vice-chair for the CPESN® USA Board of Managers, and a board member of the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) and Surescripts. His pharmacy degree is from the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy and his MBA is from the Oklahoma City University graduate school of business.

William J. McGee is a Senior Fellow for Aviation & Travel at American Economic Liberties Project. During his 22 years at Consumer Reports he testified before Congress numerous times. He is a former airline employee, FAA-licensed aircraft dispatcher, and former Flight Release Officer in the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary. He is the author of Attention All Passengers, and lectures at Vaughn College of Aeronautics.

Stacy Mitchell is the co-executive director of the Institute for Local Self-Reliance, an organization advocating for a transition away from a political economy that concentrates power to one designed for community resilience and choice. Stacy's research and writing on the dangers of monopolies and the importance of small, independent businesses have shaped the thinking of many policymakers, scholars, and organizers. Her work has been published in both academic journals and popular outlets, including The New York Times, The Atlantic, The Washington Post, The Nation, and The American Conservative. She is the author of Big-Box Swindle.

Matthew Wansley is a Professor of Law at Cardozo Law School, where he studies the regulation of technology. Before joining the faculty at Cardozo, he was the General Counsel of nuTonomy, an automated driving startup. Before that, he was a Climenko Fellow and Lecturer on Law at Harvard Law

School. He clerked on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. Wansley received his JD from Harvard Law School.

Panel Two – *Brooke Group* Thirty Years Later: Considering Predatory Pricing Caselaw in light of Modern-Day Economic Realities

Laura Alexander is a Deputy Director of the Bureau of Competition at the Federal Trade Commission. Prior to joining the FTC, she served as the Director of Markets and Competition at the Washington Center for Equitable Growth. She also previously served as Vice President of Policy at the American Antitrust Institute and was an attorney at Cohen, Milstein, Sellers, & Toll. Laura is a graduate of Reed College and Georgetown Law.

Scott Hemphill is the Moses H. Grossman Professor of Law at NYU School of Law, where he teaches and writes about competition and innovation. He received a PhD in economics and a JD from Stanford. Hemphill's work on predation includes "Beyond *Brooke Group*: Bringing Reality to the Law of Predatory Pricing," 127 Yale Law Journal 2048 (2018) (with Colorado Attorney General Philip Weiser).

Liliane Karlinger is an economist at the Chief Economist Team of the European Commission (DG COMP), where she provides economic analysis in antitrust and state aid cases in the digital and energy sectors. She holds a PhD in Economics from the European University Institute (Florence, Italy). Prior to joining the European Commission in 2016, she held positions as Assistant Professor at the economics department of University of Vienna and of LUISS University in Rome.

Lewis LeClair is a principal with the law firm of McKool Smith focusing on commercial litigation and antitrust. He has served as lead counsel in numerous antitrust matters, including actions alleging predatory pricing, monopoly pricing, conspiracy, and group boycott.

Sam Weinstein is a Professor of Law at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law and Faculty Co-Director of the Heyman Center on Corporate Governance. Before joining Cardozo, Weinstein was an attorney in the Legal Policy Section of the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and served as Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Division. He began his career as a litigator at Munger, Tolles & Olson in San Francisco, after serving as a law clerk to Judge Edward R. Becker of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

Closing Remarks

Alvaro M. Bedoya was sworn in May 16, 2022, as a Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission. He was the founding director of the Center on Privacy & Technology at Georgetown University Law Center. He previously served as the Chief Counsel to the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology and the Law and Chief Counsel to former Senator Al Franken of Minnesota. A naturalized immigrant born in Peru and raised in upstate New York, Commissioner Bedoya lives in Rockville, Maryland, with his wife, Dr. Sima Z. Bedoya.